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MEETING, COPENHAGEN, JUNE 28-29, 78: SUMMARY OF REPORTING

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1. THE 57TH MEETING OF THE EC POLITICAL COMMITTEE WAS
ALSO THE LAST OF THE DANISH PRESIDENCY. AS PREDICTED,
NOT MUCH MOVEMENT OCCURRED ON THE ITEMS DISCUSSED
EXCEPT FOR A FURTHER REFINEMENT ON HOW TO BRING THE
THREE APPLICANT COUNTRIES INTO POLITICAL COOPERATION
AND TURKEY INTO A POLITICAL CONSULTATION PROCESS. OUR
ANALYSIS - BASED ON EVENTS AND MEETINGS HERE - OF THE

DANISH PRESIDENCY AND THE US-EC DIALOGUE DURING IT WILL BE FORTHCOMING.

2. THE LAST POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEEETING HERE WAS SOMETHING OF A FESTIVE OCCASION. ALTHOUGH DISCUSSIONS CONTINUED INTO THE MORNING OF THE SECOND DAY, POLITICAL DIRECTORS DID GO OFF ON THEIR NORTH ZEALAND TOUR AND HAD LUNCH IN HELSINGOR. DANISH POLITICAL DIRECTOR OLE BIERRING SPOKE TO HIS COLLEAGUES IN TERMS OF THE PRESIDENCY BEING "A BURDEN BUT ALSO A PRIVILEGE." THE OTHER EIGHT REPORTEDLY HAD FLATTERING THINGS TO SAY ABOUT THE DANISH PERFORMANCE. THE FRG POLITICAL DIRECTOR SAID THE GERMANS HAD NO "GRAND DESIGNS" IN THE POLITICAL COOPERATION SPHERE BUT WILL PLUG AWAY AT ATTEMPTING TO GET MORE COMMON POSITIONS AND THE CONSEQUENT ENHANCED IMPACT OF THE NINE IN WORLD AFFAIRS.

3. A RECAPITULATION OF THE SIX TELEGRAMS WE HAVE TRANSMITTED ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE MEETING FOLLOWS.

- ENLARGEMENT: SPAIN AND PORTUGAL SHOULD BE BROUGHT INTO THE POLITICAL COOPERATION PROCESS EARLIER THAN IT HAS BEEN POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE WITH THE GUREKS. THE TURKS AND GREEKS WILL ENTER THE "POLITICAL CONSULTATION" STAGE AT THE CONFIDENTIAL

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SAME TIME (COPENHAGEN 4242).

- COOPERATION AMONG THE NINE AT THE NEXT UNGA: DECISIONS REFERRED TO THE GERMAN PRESIDENCY (COPENHAGEN 4238).

- EASTERN EUROPE: TWO WORKING GROUP STUDIES WILL BE FORWARDED TO NATO. TWO INTERESTING NEW ONES UNDER WAY (COPENHAGEN 4240).

- EURO-ARAB DIALOGUE: LANGUISHING. ARABS SPLIT (COPENHAGEN 4239).

- JUDICIAL COOPERATION/TERRORISM: FRENCH REMAIN HOLDOUTS ON THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE CONVENTION; NINE WILL ATTEMPT TO RECONCILE FRENCH AND BELGIAN DRAFTS ON HOW BEST TO ACHIEVE EC COOPERATION (COPENHAGEN 4241).

- OTHER BUSINESS: BRITISH BRIEFED ON NAMIBIA; MAYBE NEW STATEMENT BY NINE ON MIDDLE EAST AT BREMEN; WHO WILL SPEAK FOR EC AT GENEVA UN

CONFERENCE ON RACISM (COPENHAGEN 4243).

4. WE'VE HAD A GOOD RUN. LIGHTS AND ACTION ON BONN.
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